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Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

PCT/EP99/07107
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Re: Application of **Kurt KEMPER, et al.**
METHOD AND DEVICE FOR THE SURFACE
TREATMENT OF WORK PIECES AND THEIR USE
Our Ref: **112791.1100**

Dear Sir:

This is a **FIRST** submission of items concerning a filing under 35 U.S.C. § 371.

The following documents and fees are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. § 371 and in accordance with Chapter II of the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☐ an executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ an English translation of the International Application.
- ☒ 14 sheets of formal drawings (Figs. 1-13C).
- ☒ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER) with verification of translation.
- ☐ an executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☒ a Form PTO-1449 listing the ISR references, and a complete copy of each reference.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment

The Declaration and Power of Attorney will be submitted at a later date.

It is assumed that copies of the International Application, the International Search Report, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by § 371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned can easily provide them upon request.

This is a 35 U.S.C. § 371 of PCT/EP99/07107 filed September 23, 1999, which claims priority from German Application Number 198 43 630.0, filed September 23, 1998 and from German Application Number 198 57 626.9, filed December 14, 1998.

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***THIS IS THE U.S. NATIONAL STAGE APPLICATION OF PCT/EP99/07107,
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The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>62</u>	-	20	=	<u>42</u>	x	\$9.00	=	<u>\$378.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>4</u>	-	3	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$40.00	=	<u>\$40.00</u>
Base Fee									\$430.00
TOTAL FEE									<u>\$848.00</u>

Small Entity Status is being claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 1.27(a).

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the statutory filing fee of \$ 848 or any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.492 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 50-0436. A duplicate copy of this transmittal letter is attached.

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